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Roll Forming Aerospace in Shelbyville Earns SHARP Status for Excellence in Safety

Company joins elite list of only 22 active SHARP facilities in Kentucky

SHELBYVILLE, Ky. (Nov. 10, 2014) – During a celebration ceremony at Claudia Sanders Dinner House in Shelbyville, Deputy Secretary Rocky Comito of the Kentucky Labor Cabinet today presented Roll Forming Aerospace a plaque and a flag signifying the company's certification under the Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (SHARP).

Secretary Larry L. Roberts praised the company's dedication to safety and thanked them for being a valuable member of the Shelbyville community for nearly seven decades.

"What started with three employees in Shelbyville in 1947 is now a thriving company with a global network," said Secretary Roberts. "The SHARP status only further enhances Roll Forming's reputation as a company that is dedicated to its employees and to the community."

Roll Forming has approximately 90 employees in its Aerospace Division in Shelbyville. The corporation also has more than 120 employees in its Custom Division in Shelbyville, which earned SHARP status in October 2011, and 320 employees nationwide, including facilities in Indiana and Pennsylvania. The Aerospace Division produces lightweight, roll-formed metal components that meet stringent specifications for performance, safety, and complex engineering applications in the aerospace industry. The Custom Division

produces a broad range of roll formed products for various industries, including transportation, construction, renewable energy and more.

“Safety is the number one value embraced by all team members of our company,” said Ray Leathers, president and CEO of Roll Forming. “The professionals at the Kentucky Labor Cabinet have helped us enhance our culture through the process of applying for the Safety and Health Achievement Recognition Program (SHARP). We are proud of our partnership with KYOSH, and look forward to working with them in the future to achieve this recognition in our other divisions.”

Founded in Shelbyville in 1947, Roll Forming is North America’s foremost provider of roll forming technology and business support services. Roll Forming has services that range from initial engineering concepts, product development, in-house tooling support and full-scale production. The company also offers full supply chain management and logistical support.

Of the approximately 2,000 eligible facilities in Kentucky, Roll Forming is one of only 22 total active facilities certified for SHARP designation. To qualify for SHARP, Roll Forming had to undergo a comprehensive evaluation and series of audits, correct any identified hazards, demonstrate that effective safety and health programs are in place, and maintain injury rates below the national average for its industry for the last three years.

The U.S. Department of Labor designed SHARP to encourage and recognize excellence in occupational safety and health among employers and create a proactive partnership with its Occupational Safety and Health Administration. Although companies must meet federal standards for the program, the Kentucky Labor Cabinet presents the award, as Kentucky has operated its own federally approved Occupational Safety and Health program (KYOSH) for more than 40 years.

Companies must have a safety and health program that engages all employees in finding and correcting existing or possible future hazards. SHARP’s certification is good for two years, and then the company is eligible for renewal. A company is exempted from scheduled KYOSH compliance inspections during the certification period, but works with KYOSH to continue striving to improve its safety program.

There are multiple benefits of SHARP designation, including protecting employees by removing safety and health hazards, creating a safety culture, building a reputation as a safe workplace, and saving money by lowering worker compensation insurance premiums, reduction in turnover and increased productivity due to fewer days away from work.

For more on the SHARP program, click [here](#).

For details on Roll Forming, visit www.rfcorp.com

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